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Honorable Jim Slattery
House of Representatives
1512 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Slattery:

This is in reply to your letter of February 14, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Those rules have been in place for over 20 years. While they have been amended on numerous occasions since that time, they nonetheless embody regulatory concepts based on yesteryear's technology and, unless changed, will

Honorable Jim Slattery

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We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land
mobile radio spectrum and P/C lobbyists. We will therefore take into

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

JIM SLATTERY
SECOND DISTRICT, KANSAS

February 14, 1993

The Honorable James Quello
Acting Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have been contacted by several model airplane enthusiasts in Kansas regarding NRPM PR Docket 92-235, which would have a direct impact on the activities of radio controlled model aviation enthusiasts.

Currently, radio controlled model aviation frequencies are in the 72-76 Mhz band, which is shared with private mobile dispatch operations. These radio control frequencies are currently spaced 10 Khz apart from the land mobile frequencies, which has allowed band sharing without interference. It is my understanding that the Federal Communications Commission is seeking to add more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and spacing many of them within 2.5 Khz of the radio control frequencies, which could cause interference between the two uses of the band. The power output allowed to land mobile transmitters is more than 10 times that allowed to radio control transmitters. These model airplanes are capable of causing severe injury and property damage if radio interference causes loss of flight control. As a member of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance, this matter is of particular concern to me.

Please have your staff provide me with a written response detailing the Commission's actions with regard to NRPM PR Docket 92-235. I am particularly interested in knowing the Commission's assessment of the manner in which this proposed rulemaking could affect

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Thank you very much for your attention to this request. Please do not hesitate to contact me or my administrative assistant, Howard Bauleke, if we can provide additional information regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jim Slattery". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

JIM SLATTERY
Member of Congress